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SUBJECT: FRG TO CHANGE DESIGNATION OF EMIGRANTS FROM POLAND

REFS: (A) BONN 11520; (B) BONN 7015

- 1. THE FRG ANNOUNCED ON SEPTEMBER 14 ITS INTENTION TO DISCONTINUE THE PRACTICE, FOUND OBJECTIONABLE BY POLAND, OF DOCUMENTING AS EXPELLEES (VERTRIEBENEN) PERSONS OF GERMAN ORIGIN LEAVING POLAND FOR REUNIFICATION WITH RELATIVES IN THE FRG. IN PLACE OF THE EXPELLEE IDENTIFICATION CARD, ETHNIC GERMANS WILL BE ISSUED AN "IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR RETURNEES" (AUSWEISS FUER AUSSIEDLER). THE FRG STATES THAT THE NEW TERMINOLOGY WILL NOT CHANGE THE LEGAL STATUS OF ETHNIC GERMAN EMIGRANTS, WHO WILL CONTINUE TO BE ENTITLED TO GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE DURING THEIR RESETTLEMENT PERIOD.
- 2. COMMENT: THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN AN IRRITANT IN FRG-POLISH RELATIONS FOR SOME TIME AND THIS MOVE IS AN OBVIOUS ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE THE ATMOSPHERE FOR THE NOW POSTPONED SCHMIDT VISIT.

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